

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Shigeharu HASHIMOTO et al.

Application No. New U.S. National Stage of PCT/JP2003/002378

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For: EXHAUST EMISSION CONTROL SYSTEM, METHOD OF CALCULATING  
PRESSURE LOSS OF FILTER, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING FILTER

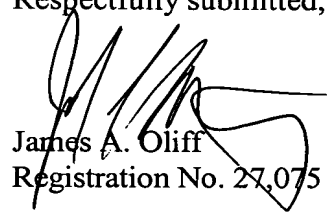
**TRANSLATION OF THE AMENDMENTS  
UNDER PCT ARTICLE 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3))**

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Sir:

Attached hereto is a translation of the amendments of the International  
Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). The attached translated material  
replaces the claims.

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Description under the Convention Article 19 (1)

The Claims 1 and 2 were cancelled to clarify differences from prior documents.

5        In accordance with said amendment, the Claim 3 was amended to independent form. Furthermore, the Claims 4, 5 and 8 to 11 were amended not to depend on the Claims 1 and 2.

10        The Claims 6, 7, 12, 13, and 14 originally filed are retained unchanged.